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"The destruction of the poor is their poverty."

If the campaign had lasted a couple of weeks longer the Daily Bellvue would have succeeded in making it unanimous for Mr. Goeke in Mercer County.

Club women in session at Cincinnati have discovered that practically all of their officials are married women who look after families, while the men's clubs are largely filled with bachelors. Thus does another tradition regarding women get lost in the shuffle.

The Standard is endeavoring to conserve the interests of its home county, to which life-long service has endeared it in a way which no outsider, nor interloper, nor disturber of OUR home peace can ever understand.—The Daily Bellvue of Monday.

So it's past understanding! Well, just separate it from the public test it has clung to since 1818 and the understanding will be cleared.

And now a sensation has been kicked up in the Ballinger affair by statements that Attorney General Wickensham's report to the president on Ballinger's affairs was not made until two days after President Taft had written his letter upholding the secretary of the interior. It had been generally supposed the Taft letter was based on Wickensham's report. That conservation business has no doubt caused Mr. Taft more worry than all his money and horses.

At Mt. Sterling, Ill., they're getting saloon regulation down to a decidedly fine point, a new ordinance having been passed which prohibits a saloon keeper from throwing any intoxicated person from his saloon, and also provides that the saloon must be equipped to furnish sleeping places for drunks and for taking good care of them in every way until they are sober. Failure to comply with these requirements means forfeiture of the license. Logically, this action seems to be a long step in the right direction, but we don't imagine the average saloonkeeper would be tickled to death to operate under it.

The Single Tax Goes Marching On

An instance illustrating the natural effect of the recent abolition of taxes on improvements in Vancouver, British Columbia, is furnished by a building true by the Everett (Washington) Tribune of April 27. It seems well worth retelling just as the Everett Tribune has told it:

"An Everett citizen who owns lots on Hewitt avenue had intended to improve his property by the erection of a brick building, but he has changed his mind and gives the following reason for so doing:

"I own business lots in Vancouver, B. C., and received the following to an inquiry which I made:

Vancouver, B. C., April 29, '10.
Dear Sir:—Replying to your favor of the 15th inst., beg to say that your information is correct. There is no tax on building or personal in this city. Total tax for 1909 was 22 mills. Yours truly, ALLAN BROS., 500 Pender Street.

"The above information decided the matter for me. The building I had planned for Hewitt avenue will be erected in Vancouver, B. C., where improvements are exempt from taxation. In that city I will be compelled to pay no more nor less than the man who holds idle lots on either side of me, I would rather pay the tax on the lot, but didn't like the prospect of paying an annual fine on the cost of my investment. So I am adapting myself to our system, which makes it more profitable to hold land idle and escape taxation than to use. Some one has said that our system of taxation enables land owners to 'sleep and thrive.' I propose to build in Vancouver and sleep in Everett."

No Premium Here on Vacant Lot Industry

[Johnstown (Pa.) Democrat.]

In the last ten years the city of Vancouver, B. C., has increased from less than twenty millions of valuation to over seventy-five millions.

This year she assesses nearly twenty-four and a half million dollars worth of property. ABSOLUTELY NOTHING, concentrating all the city revenues on the remainder of over forty-eight millions.

Since 1906 improvements have paid but four mills on the dollar of assessed value. Land has paid sixteen mills. Hereafter land values will pay it all.

This city of nearly 80,000 people wants improvements. It places no premium as we do on land speculation—the vacant lot industry.

NOT IN ANY TRUST



OUR RED OR WHITE OIL

gives a bright light and does not smoke the chimney. For Incubators it has no equal. Upon receipt of Six Dollars we will ship you one barrel, containing 52 gallons. If the empty barrel is returned to us, we will pay you \$1.25 for it. Write for samples of our Lubricating Oils and Grease, sent by mail free of charge.

INDEPENDENT OIL COMPANY

REFERENCE ANY BANK MANSFIELD, OHIO

Bosism or independence is the issue in this campaign.—Daily Bellvue, May 16.

And independence won hands down. And brother-in-law got it where the yellow-legged chicken got the axe.

Estimates for the fiscal year ending June 30 are that a million immigrants will have dropped into the United States in the twelve months. Say, don't you wish you had a peanut stand and each of those million foreigners had to file by your place and buy a nickel's worth of peanuts?

Fruit of the Comet's Visit

[St. Louis Post-Dispatch.]

The Steel Trust will not require its 2,000,000 employees to work any more on Sunday.

Mr. Rockefeller will give a billion dollars for the betterment of humankind in all parts of the world.

Senators Hale and Aldrich have both announced their determination to resign at the expiration of their present terms.

Representative White of Illinois has confessed that he was paid \$1,000 for voting for William K. Lorimer for United States Senator.

The record for a single collection was broken at Mr. Rockefeller's church the other day, with a total of \$256,000.

Michael S. Link, another member of the Illinois Legislature, has added his confession to the list of confessions in Illinois. He was found guilty of manslaughter. Evidently the jury concluded that Van Zandt was only playing and merely meant to warm up his wife in a cool spot, not to murder her in the most diabolical manner imaginable; hence the verdict.

We've heard much about the "deadness" of Portland since the saloons were voted out of the county in which it is situated. It seems to have been about as reliable as all the news that percolates through saloon-owning and liquor-controlled newspapers. The Portland Sun, the Democratic and leading paper of that city and county, commenting on the condition of that city in a business way the past year, and the outlook for the coming, last week, editorially, said:

"Four new factories, employing from 250 to 400 men, is not a bad year's work. It is a satisfactory start in the right direction. It means an increase of \$3,000 to \$4,000 in the weekly payroll which will be distributed to the merchants of the city. There is no reason why this year's progress should not duplicate or even exceed the good work of last year. Portland can easily be made a city of ten to twelve thousand within the next two or three years if the present spirit of progress is maintained."

RECAPITULATION.	
Restitution.....	1
Peace Offerings.....	1
Confessions.....	4
Resignations.....	2
Reforms.....	2
Total.....	11

THE CROWNING ACHIEVEMENT

Commenting on the final adjournment of the legislature a Republican paper referred to the Langdon tax commission bill as "the crowning achievement of the session."

In some respects it was. It dispenses with all but one of the numerous state taxing boards which were composed of ex-officio of state officers who have not more time than is needed to attend strictly to the duties of the offices to which they are elected. The abolishing of these boards and substituting therefor one state commission to devote its entire time to the administration and enforcement of the state's tax laws is a long step forward. It is the step Governor Harmon urged this legislature to take during the special session a year ago, when his advice was opposed by Republican members of the legislature who called the governor a "peanut politician" and accused him of "playing politics."

The one state board retained is that which seems to be an indispensable part of the state political machine engineered by the g. o. p. bosses. It is the board consisting of the state auditor, state treasurer, secretary of state and attorney general (three of whom are Republicans) for appointing city boards of tax review. Had the people of Ohio elected Democrats to all four of these offices in 1908 the Republican majority in the legislature would have fought desperately to take from them the authority to appoint these local boards and confer it upon the state tax commission with words if not weighty arguments to "take the tax system entirely out of politics."

In his message at the opening of this session Governor Harmon recommended: "The principle of home rule, as well as abvious reasons of policy, requires the replacement of the city boards of review by others to be appointed by the mayor. The present system, which places the appointments in the hands of three state officers, has met with general disfavor.

By retaining the present method of controlling such appointments as a powerful wheel within the many wheels of the g. o. p. state machine the Republican members of the legislature have demonstrated beyond dispute that they are the real "peanut politicians," and have convicted themselves of "playing politics."

As much as is good in the Langdon tax commission bill may be set down to the credit of

Governor Harmon's policies and an aroused public demand for taxation reform.

As much as is due to the dominating influence of the g. o. p. bosses may be set down to the discredit of the Republican majority in the legislature.

"As a crowning achievement" the Langdon tax commission bill is not exactly what Governor Harmon advised, but it is the best he could get at the hands of the hostile partisan majority in the legislature.

We've passed through the comet's tail and are still on deck.—Daily Bellvue.

It could pass through the eye of a common needle, too, without causing the needle much distress.

That wise old guy, the Standard, says "the primary in time will be productive of great political good." Evidently the people didn't vote to suit it Tuesday, notwithstanding the amount of latter since applied to the ticket nominated.

The jury with the queer verdict habit has gotten in its work again, this time at Cincinnati where Jesse Van Zandt was on trial for the murder of his wife, who, blond and gagged, was found lying on a red-hot cook stove, burned to death. He was found guilty of manslaughter. Evidently the jury concluded that Van Zandt was only playing and merely meant to warm up his wife in a cool spot, not to murder her in the most diabolical manner imaginable; hence the verdict.

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Women Suffrage in Congress

Through Senator Owen of Oklahoma, on the 11th, a memorial asking legislation favoring women's suffrage and replying to President Taft's objection that the franchise might be monopolized by an undesirable class was presented in the Senate of the United States.

The petition, which is signed by the officers of the National American Woman Suffrage Association, asks Congress to submit to the States an amendment to the Constitution securing voting rights to women. It was ordered printed and referred to the committee on woman suffrage.

Reasons for Asking for Votes

The reasons for asking the franchise for women are thus enumerated in the memorial, as reported in Washington dispatches:

"The women of the United States are citizens of the United States, entitled by nature to an equal right to enjoy the opportunities of life; they perform half the work of the United States; they bear all of the children of the United States; they educate these children; they inculcate in these children lessons of morality, religion, industry, civic righteousness, and civic duty; they deserve to be honored by the children of the country as entitled to equal dignity and honor possessed by men; they pay half of the taxes of the United States; they possess half of the property of the United States, or at least they are entitled to possess half of the property of the United States by virtue of labor performed and duty well done."

Taft's Silly Objection Answered

Of President's Taft's objection, the memorial asks: "Will you suggest that good women will not vote and bad women will vote?" and this is its answer: "This untrue and unkind suggestion has been answered by history, which demonstrates that the same percentage of women votes as men and that the vote of undesirable women is a negligible quantity."

"Women are not to be regarded as bringing to suffrage a preponderance of evil. Their vote has brought to the use of the State an important influence in the interest and well being of children, new and stronger laws for the protection and advancement of the interests of children, new and better laws for the preservation of the public health, new and better laws for decency in administration and the beautifying of cities, and more worthy candidates by all parties are offered where women vote."

Money to Loan

We can make farm loans for 5 years on first mortgage. Interest at 5 per cent. SHORT & DONOVAN, Celina, O.

Look Here!

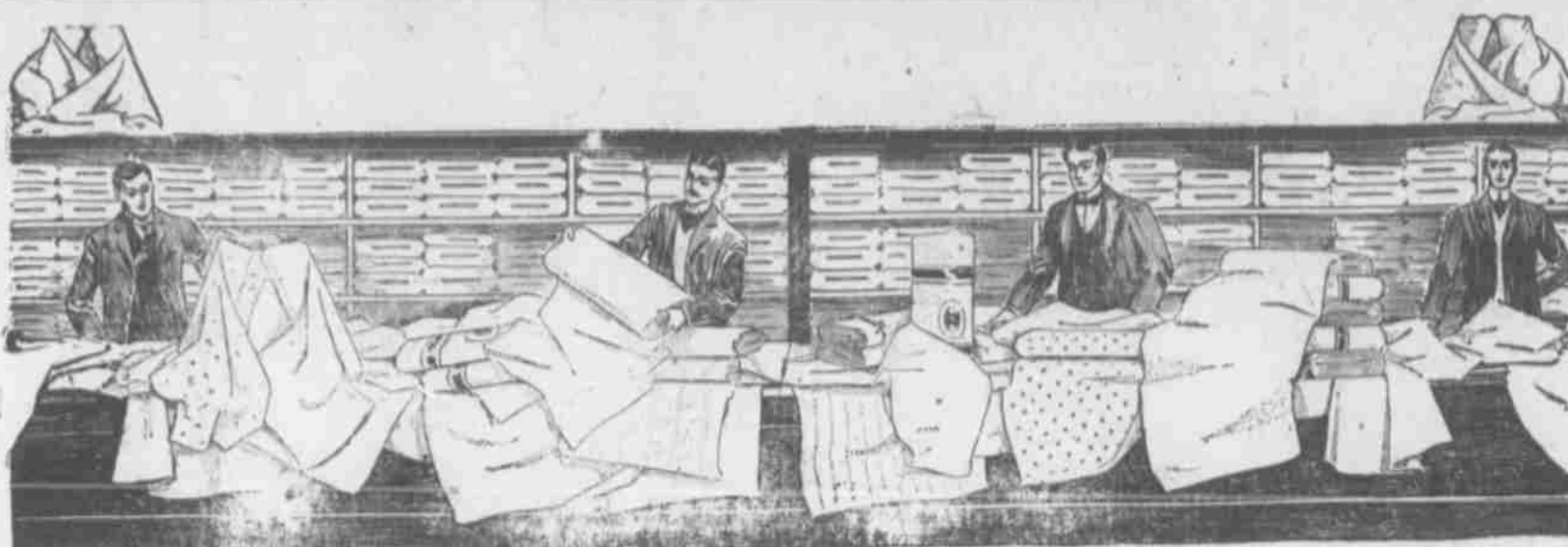
The Wagner Loan Agency is the only agency in Mercer County that will make Chattel Loans so you can pay them back in weekly or monthly payments, or in fact any way to suit the borrower.

We make farm loans at 5 per cent. We have \$50,000.00 to loan on Chattel Security.

We have \$150,000.00 of private money to loan on Real Estate Security.

We buy and sell Real Estate. We write Fire and Cyclone Insurance.

Business Strictly Confidential. THE WAGNER LOAN AGENCY IRA E. WAGNER, Mgr. CELINA, OHIO



An Impressive Display of Wanted White wear Advantageously Priced in this May Sale of White

The sale of White Wear at decisive discounts from regular cost is brought about by the fact that our stocks are entirely too large for this period of the season. The store-keeping principles of this store does not allow the clogging of our business wheel by overstocks in any department. We desire an immediate reduction in the stocks involved, and have adopted the wisest method of securing an immediate result—CUT PRICES DECISIVELY.

White Goods, Muslin Underwear, Embroideries, Table Linens, Towelings and Lace Curtains are especially featured in this sale. It is the part of wisdom to make purchases for at least six months ahead. Prices printed here and those in the store give best reasons why an early visit to the store is urged and advisable.

Sale Begins TO-MORROW, Saturday Morning, May 21, and continues for two weeks.

UNDER MUSLINS UNDERPRICED

The quality of the Undermuslins on sale, the big stocks involved and the surprising low prices are notable features of this White event. Undermuslin values—such as are to be had in this sale—are an uncommon occurrence.

Ladies' fine Corset Covers, in a great variety of Lace and Embroidery-trimmed designs; fine quality Muslin, all sizes; values up to 35c.	SALE PRICE.....	21c
Ladies' fine Nainsook and Muslin Corset Covers, beautifully trimmed in Laces and Embroidery. Some values up to 75c in the lot.	SALE PRICE.....	45c
One lot of Long Cloth and Nainsook Corset Covers, elaborately trimmed in fine Laces; goods that sell at \$1.00 and \$1.25.	SALE PRICE.....	79c
Ladies' fine Muslin Pants; extra roomy cut; neatly finished, tucked ruffle.	SALE PRICE.....	25c

One lot fine Muslin Petticoats, with deep Embroidery, Flounce; others Lace trimmed; in half dozen different styles; values up to \$1.25.	SALE PRICE.....	85c
One lot \$1.50 and \$1.75 fine Muslin Petticoats, in a big variety of styles; Lace and Embroidery trimming.	SALE PRICE.....	\$1.25
Ladies' fine Muslin Gowns, neatly trimmed, with small Tucks and Embroidery Insertion.	SALE PRICE.....	50c
Ladies' \$1.00 and \$1.25 fine Muslin and Nainsook Gowns, full cut, in the high neck and slip-over kinds, neatly trimmed in Embroidery.	SALE PRICE.....	85c

White Goods & Wash Goods

A splendid collection at surprisingly low prices.

Fine quality India Linen, 30 inches wide and very fine count; a regular 15c value.	SALE PRICE, per yard.....	10c
One lot of fancy White Goods, dainty Stripes, Dotted Swisses, &c.; values up to 20c.	SALE PRICE, per yard.....	12½c
Fine Mercerized Madras, in a big range of beautiful patterns; 35c value.	SALE PRICE, per yard.....	19c
Five thousand yards of new Batists, in a big variety of choice colorings. These goods sell everywhere for 12c to 15c per yard.	SALE PRICE, per yard.....	8c

Linens & Towelings

House-keepers and who ever needs and uses Linens, will find these values well worth hurrying for.

One lot of fine all-Linen Bleached Damask, 70 inches wide, in 6 beautiful new patterns. These Linens are worth \$1.25 per yard on to-day's market.	SALE PRICE, per yard.....	85c
One lot of fine Linen Bleached Damask, 70 inches wide, in several very beautiful designs; values 90c per yard.	SALE PRICE, per yard.....	69c
One lot of Mercerized Damask, full 66 inches wide, in beautiful floral designs; 60c and 65c values.	SALE PRICE, per yard.....	49c
Stevens' all-Linen Toweling, 15 inches wide, Unbleached.	SALE PRICE, per yard.....	5c
One lot of Linen Bleached Toweling, laundered and ready for use, 17 inches wide.	SALE PRICE, per yard.....	10c

Remnants of Table Linens and Towelings at a Big Reduction.

Embroideries

From St. Gall and American makers we have assembled a collection of new dainty and elaborate designs of Embroideries specially low-priced for the White Sale.

One lot of fine Muslin and Swiss Embroideries and Insertions from 2 to 5 inches in width; good fast edges; many in the lot worth 10c and 12½c.	SALE PRICE, per yard.....	5c
One big lot of Cambric and Swiss Embroideries and Insertions (many match sets in this lot); width from 6 to 9 inches; values up to 15c and 20c.	SALE PRICE, per yard.....	10c
One lot of Corset Cover Embroideries, in Cambric and Swiss values, up to 30c per yard.	SALE PRICE, per yard.....	29c
18-inch Swiss Flouncing, finest quality, in all the new 1910 patterns; extra good edges.	SALE PRICE, per yard.....	39c
4-inch bands to match above—SALE PRICE, per yard, 19c		
One lot 17-inch all-over Embroidery, in neat, dainty patterns.	SALE PRICE, per yard.....	25c

Ten per cent. discount on all Val Laces

New Curtains and Draperies

Curtain and drapery needs for summer now holds the attention of every housekeeper. Our stocks offer a wide range for selection, and throughout the stocks you will find exceptional values.

One big lot, consisting of over 100 pairs of fine Nottingham Curtains, 45 to 54 inches wide, 3 yards long, a dozen or more different designs; values up to \$1.50.	SALE PRICE, per pair.....	\$1.00
One lot of fine Lace Curtains, in both White and Ecru, 54 to 60 inches wide, in a big range of patterns to choose from; values up to \$2.00.	SALE PRICE, per yard.....	\$1.19
One lot of fine Nottingham and Madras Curtains, in a big variety of patterns, in Ecru and White; values up to \$2.75.	SALE PRICE, per pair.....	\$1.98
Proportionate reductions on all our better Lace, Muslin and Nett Curtains.		
One lot of fine Curtain Swisses, full 36 inches wide, in half dozen very pretty patterns.	SALE PRICE, per yard.....	10c

Odds and Ends of Curtains—one, two and three of a kind—and soiled Curtains at a big reduction in price.

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MAIN STREET,

O. RENTZSCH CELINA, OHIO